

THORPE MALSOR PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of the Thorpe Malsor Parish Council Meeting held on 26th February 2018 in the Village Hall.

Present: Cllr Mrs F Pope (Chairman), Cllr Mrs H Sharp, Cllr Mr R Walton,

Clerk: Mrs Anne-Marie Walton-Miller

1 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Received from Cllr Mrs Z Powell and Cllr Mr E Stevenson.

2 **DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

None made.

3 **MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS LAST MEETING**

a The Minutes of the Meeting held on 9th January 2018 were read, accepted and signed.

b **MATTERS ARISING**

i) **DEFIBRILLATOR FOR INSERTION INTO THE PHONE BOX**

Following receipt of an email from KBC regarding Great Cransley arranging a talk re the purchasing a defibrillator, Cllr Mrs Pope had contacted Thelma Lacy expressing an interest in attending and was awaiting further information. With regard to the re-decoration of the phone box, Cllr Mrs Pope presented a quotation from Iain's Decorating Services for £780.00 which was considered by all Councillors. Cllr Mrs Pope proposed that the quotation be accepted, seconded by Cllr Mr Walton.

ii) **PLAY AREA**

Cllr Mrs Pope advised that she had been in contact with David Lane of KBC who, following a playground inspection had concluded that most of the wooden playground equipment was no longer fit for purpose. Mr Lane had suggested that TMPC should apply through KBC for a Mick George grant, Cllr Mr Stevenson has already been in contact with families in the village with a view to co-ordinating letters of support. If our application is received by 28th March 2018, subject to a favourable decision, new play equipment could be installed by KBC by the summer. KBC will also have responsibility for maintaining and insuring the equipment. TMPC will be required to contribute some matched funding contribution of up to £1000.00.

iii) **COMPLIANCE/ADOPTION OF STANDING ORDERS**

The Clerk having now obtained a number of template documents from NCALC, advised that she was in the process of reviewing the same with a view to these being agreed and ready for presentation at the AGM in May.

iv) **BUDGET PLANNING**

Cllr Mrs Pope reported that she and the Clerk had met to discuss any forthcoming additional costs for the PC for the coming months. Taking into account the proposed NCC cuts along with the PCs proposed spend, it was agreed that there would still be sufficient funds to cover any essential additional expenses.

v) **COMMUNITY EMERGENCY PLAN**

In the absence of Cllr Mr Stevenson, it was agreed to delay discussion of this matter until the next meeting.

vi) **BROADBAND/FIBRE OPTIC CABLING**

Cllr Mrs Sharp reported that Gigaclear had installed cabling to the box in the village sufficient to service 144 dwellings. Another company will be installing cabling along the road and then individual households have the option if they require cabling to their properties. Cllr Mrs Sharp advised that she had had no further contact with Open Reach as yet but would endeavour to find out more ahead of the next meeting.

4. **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION**

No members of the public attended.

5. **MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION**a. **LITTERING/FLY-TIPPING**

Cllr Mrs Pope reported that she had tried to raise this issue at the recent Rural Forum but without success. Councillors reported no current issues with fly-tipping but were aware that such issues should be reported to KBC who to-date had acted promptly to remove any reported fly-tipped waste.

b. **STREET LIGHTING BY THE BUNGALOWS**

Cllr Mr Walton reported that the street lights near the bungalows were not working. Cllr Mrs Sharp reported that there was also a problem with the lighting near the nursing home. Cllr Mrs Sharp agreed to contact KBC to find out if the old street lights could now be replaced as it was clear that they had reached the end of their life, these lights were very dim compared to the new street light that was installed last year.

6. **FINANCE**

The Clerk presented the Accounts as at 8 January 2018.

It was resolved to pay the following accounts:

NCALC	Cq no 100320	Emergency Planning Course	£72.00
CPRE	Cq no 100323	Annual membership	£36.00
A-M Walton-Miller	Cq no 100322	Replacement ink cartridges	£26.98

Proposed by Cllrs Mrs Pope, seconded by Cllr Mrs Sharp.

7 **PLANNING**

- a. KET/2018/0087 – Mr & Mrs Noon, 10 Church Way, Thorpe Malsor – Full Application: Single Storey side extension

The Committee resolved to register no objection to this application.

8 CORRESPONDENCE

The following items were presented to the Councillors :-

- a. Email from Sgt Scott Little dated 10 January 2018 notifying that Sgt Richard Offord is the local officer – contents noted by all;
- b. Email from NCalc dated 15 January 2018 providing user login for National Association web site – contents noted by all;
- c. Email from ITV dated 16 January 2018 seeking grandparents with 3 or more grandchildren aged 18+ - no families within the parish which meet the criteria were felt to be appropriate.
- d. Email from ACRE Northamptonshire dated 25 January 2018 re Northamptonshire’s best village competition 2018 – resolved not to enter;
- e. Email from Civic Voice dated 31 January 2018 invitation to a free workshop on 19th March 2018 at Coventry Cathedral to commemorate the First World War – Cllrs not interested in attending as not considered relevant to the village.
- f. NCalc eUpdate dated 5 February 2018 already circulated to Cllrs, no comments to make;
- g. Sports Facilities Questionnaire received from KBC dated 9 February 2018 – Cllrs to complete and return to KBC by 4 March 2018.

9 ITEMS FOR INCLUSION ON THE AGENDA FOR THE NEXT MEETING

Nothing at present

- 10 **DATE OF NEXT MEETING** : This was fixed for Tuesday 10th April 2018 at 7.00pm.

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